

**Santa Clara County
Build It Green Workshops – October 2006**

Green Building 101

Wednesday, October 11, 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.; Fee: \$20

Location: Lucy Evans Baylands Nature Interpretive Center, 27775 Embarcadero Road, Palo Alto

Tuesday, October 17, 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.; Fee: \$20

Location: Solar Power 2006, San Jose Hilton Hotel, San Carlos Room, 300 Almaden Blvd., San Jose

This workshop introduces basic concepts, techniques, products, and benefits for building or remodeling a green home. The workshop will illustrate how these concepts differ or are the same as conventional construction. Topics covered include energy and water conservation, selecting green materials, and indoor air quality issues. The workshop will also provide ways to start thinking green and asking a builder the right questions to ultimately get a higher quality home.

House as a System – Your Home's Efficiency, Air Quality and Comfort

Saturday, October 14, 1:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.; Fee: \$40

Location: West Valley Branch Library, 1243 San Tomas Aquino Rd., San Jose, CA

Your home is a system and all parts of it interact with each other. Homeowners depend heavily on a home's systems and its components, such as heating, cooling, plumbing, water heating, and electrical. Most have little knowledge of how they operate or how they can easily be improved. This workshop introduces you to how they work, how you should operate them, how you can test them, and what basic improvements can be made. With this knowledge, you can reduce utility bills, improve indoor air quality, and save money while raising your home's comfort and performance. Continental breakfast served.

Green with Style – Paint, Flooring, Kitchen Cabinetry & Countertops

Thursday, October 19, 6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.; Fee: \$20

Location: Lucy Evans Baylands Nature Interpretive Center, 2775 Embarcadero Road, Palo Alto

This workshop will present information and tools that will enable participants to integrate green strategies and materials into their interior finish projects and create healthy, attractive, and resource-efficient spaces. Invited speakers are recognized experts in their respective fields. Topics include: comparison of green and conventional materials, benefits and drawbacks of specific materials, durability, maintenance, and installation info, health considerations and cost range and availability.

Remodeling one Green Room at a Time

Sunday, October 22, 1:30 p.m. – 5:00p.m.; Fee: \$40

Location: West Valley Branch Library, 1243 San Tomas Aquino Rd.,
San Jose, CA

Learn about a comprehensive way to remodel in a more energy-efficient, resource-conserving, and healthier manner that creates comfort and value through a building that is more affordable to operate and maintain. This workshop focuses on key aspects of the building, including foundations, framing, plumbing, windows, flooring, heating, and finishes.

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